

COMMITTEE VISITS OTHER BASE HOSPITAL UNITS

Medical College of Virginia Outfit to Be Fully Equipped for Service in France.

NURSES ARE STILL NEEDED

Members of Committee Tell of Their Visit to Rockefeller and Other Institutions Where Progress is Being Made in Meeting War Conditions.

Nurses Still Needed for Base Hospital

Although a large number of nurses have applied for admission to the ranks of the Medical College of Virginia Base Hospital, several vacancies still exist in the staff. This announcement is made for the benefit of a considerable local contingent who are holding back on the mistaken assumption that all positions have been filled. Not only is this not the case, but it is now intimated that a reserve list will be opened at once. Application should be made in person, or by telephone or letter to Miss Ruth I. Robertson, superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, of this city.

Returning to Richmond yesterday, the committee appointed to visit New York in connection with the affairs of the Medical College of Virginia Base Hospital expressed great satisfaction over the work accomplished and abounding confidence in the success of the unit.

Armed with introductory letters from influential quarters in Washington, the committee left Wednesday night, and promptly upon arrival in New York on Thursday morning came into intimate contact with the sources of information they had gone North to seek. The party consisted of the purchasing agent, Richard Gwathmey; the acting adjutant, Dr. Joseph H. Geisinger; the head of the X-ray department, Dr. Fred M. Hodges; and the chief of the laboratory division, Dr. E. Guy Hopkins. Accompanying them in an advisory capacity was R. B. Anderson, who is giving generously of his time and service to the interests of the unit. In New York they were joined by W. Frank Powers, one of Mr. Gwathmey's chief associates in the purchasing work.

Primarily the committee went to inspect other base hospitals and by this means, and the consultation of recognized authorities, to properly gauge the dimensions of the huge task of equipping the institution. This object it was happily able to accomplish in a most thorough manner. At Rockefeller Institute the Richmonders were received with great cordiality, and were made acquainted in minute detail with the construction and operation of a war demonstration hospital now on exhibition there. Through the influence and co-operation of one of its founders, the army general hospital No. 1 at Gun Hill was also thrown wide open to them. In these two remarkable places the men upon whom will revolve the work of securing supplies for the unit here were immediately placed in possession of information of the utmost value. The inspection impressed them still further with the herculean proportions of the task in front of them. At the same moment, however, it offered them a key to the situation, which will be promptly and consistently used. As a result, Mr. Gwathmey left New York fuller than ever of enthusiasm. In all likelihood he will proceed at once to marshal his forces and undertake the actual work of purchasing. Other members of the committee were impressed with his ready grasp of the situation and his energy in attacking it.

WIDE SCOPE OF BIG BASE HOSPITALS

It is difficult to refer to a base hospital in terms that will offer an adequate conception of its scope. At Gun Hill they are nearly forty one-story frame buildings. This hospital is now in the hands of the government and under command of Colonel Schneider, who offered every facility to the visitors. At this moment is the temporary housing and training of the base units sent there for equipment of personnel just prior to their departure for the front. A number of units have followed this routine, and it is not impossible that the Richmond

organization will see service at Gun Hill for a week or two before it sails. A supplementary unit on its way to join the Lakeside (Critic) base hospital in France is now stationed there. The Gun Hill layout is one of the most unusual exhibitions of its kind on earth. The entire institution, buildings and all, can be packed in crates and shipped to any point on the globe.

The general plan of the Rockefeller hospitals is similar. Here, however, pure science prevails. Research of the utmost importance to suffering mankind is now in progress in these wonderfully equipped buildings. Men who have learned the bitter lessons of the battle ground are in charge of this work, and every now and then a development of significance results. An antidote for the horrible gaseous gas agent—a more deadly foe than bullets—has been discovered. Six horses charged with the antitoxin are now ready and will be sent to Europe at once—a cargo more precious than their weight in gold.

At Rockefeller also for the moment is the world-famous Alexis Carrel, who is completing the grand and far-reaching revolution which has saved thousands of lives and which will go on saving them for the rest of time. Dr. Carrel is a sort of human dynamo. He is a volume of energy. He stresses the long enough, however, to refer with much satisfaction to a remarkable feat in ulcer-curing the hospital had that turning finally accomplished. He gave the Richmond party a word of encouragement and many words of wholesome advice. Other noted French medical officers temporarily detailed at Rockefeller also spoke eagerly of what the Americans might do at the front.

UNIT REGARDED AS ONE OF MOST ALERT IN COUNTRY

While this committee was abroad, the base hospital work from the Richmond end was steadily progressing. Under the guidance of Dr. McGuire, all the big problems have now been solved. It is no imprudence to state that the progress made within the short time since the organization was authorized has apparently astonished authorities in Washington and New York. So much is this true that the Richmond unit is being regarded as one of the most alert in the country. This commendation three chief factors have contributed—the whole-souled co-operation of the local Red Cross chapter, the acting adjutant, Dr. Joseph H. Geisinger, the head of the X-ray department, Dr. Fred M. Hodges, and the chief of the laboratory division, Dr. E. Guy Hopkins. Accompanying them in an advisory capacity was R. B. Anderson, who is giving generously of his time and service to the interests of the unit. In New York they were joined by W. Frank Powers, one of Mr. Gwathmey's chief associates in the purchasing work.

The situation with reference to nurses is well in hand. Miss Ruth Robertson, superintendent of St. Luke's Hospital, has now returned to Richmond for the purpose of devoting herself to this work, and her great experience and success relieves all doubt of the outcome. Apparently an impression has gone abroad that no more nurses are needed. This is incorrect. A number of vacancies are still present in the regular staff and it is expected that a reserve staff will also be organized. Many Richmond nurses who desired to enter the unit, have been deterred from applying by the belief that the lists were closed. The announcement that such is not the case will be quite good news to them. Any who are interested in the work may apply to Miss Robertson at St. Luke's Hospital.

Formal mustering in of the enlisted personnel has been deferred a few days. The hospital has now been formally recognized by the War Department, and is hereafter protected from draft invasion. As soon as the necessary blanks and other paraphernalia can be obtained the work of mustering in will begin. As previously stated, Major J. Garnett Nelson will be recruiting officer.

In conformity with the policy of Dr. McGuire, members of the base hospital staff are being sent off from time to time for special training. Dr. James H. Smith has left for Fort Oglethorpe to become acquainted with the duties of permanent adjutant, and Dr. Greer Taghman, the registrar, has been sent to the same place. Dr. Wariner has gone to Fort Benjamin Harrison. Dr. Paul V. Anderson is now at the Neurological Institute, in New York, and Dr. Charles Phillips is at Rockefeller Institute. In a few weeks Dr. E. Guy Hopkins, head of the laboratory staff, will also go to Rockefeller Institute. Plans for other members of the organization are in contemplation, but have not yet been made public.

AMBULANCE COMPANY NEEDS FORTY-SIX MEN

Lieutenant Lewis Says Command Will Be Moved to Camp Lee This Week.

FILL VACANCIES FROM DRAFT

Officers Hope, However, That Sufficient Men Will Come Forward at Once to Fill Up Ranks of What Many Say Is Most Useful Branch.

Pursuant to orders from the War Department, preparations are being made by Ambulance Company No. 46 to move to Camp Lee by Tuesday or Wednesday at the latest. Lieutenant Lewis was ordered to report last Thursday, but owing to vacancies in the command he requested the War Department to allow him a few more days, so that he could recruit his company to full strength. Forty-six men are needed to complete the quota, and strong efforts are being made to recruit this number, so that the company can report to Camp Lee with a full quota. In the event of failure to have a full organization on time the remaining vacancies probably will be filled from the draft army, and especially from those men of the draft army who may express a preference for the medical department.

All arrangements have been made for the instruction of the men, and it is believed that regular routine work will begin at once upon arrival of the company at Petersburg.

NONCOMMISSIONED STAFF BEING FORMED

The noncommissioned staff is in process of formation, and a tentative roster will be issued in a few days, especially as regards the first sergeants, supply and mess sergeants, which positions must be filled before encampment. The last few days will be strenuous ones for the officers, and the rush will keep them busy examining and enlisting the men.

Lieutenant Lewis feels confident that the company will be recruited to full strength in the next few days, and calls upon all those interested in the medical service of the government to see him at once at his home, 1 North Boulevard, as this is the last time that the men of Richmond will have an opportunity to enter a volunteer company of this nature.

The roll to date follows: Vivian S. Lawrence, Churchland; John N. Christian, 292-A Floyd Ave.; Benjamin E. Whitmore, 211 E. Grace; Thomas H. Anderson, Statesville, N. C.; Edw. F. Brander, Petersburg; Walter D. Breckinridge, 101 W. Main; Frank G. Christian, 25 W. Grace; William G. Crade, 281 E. Grace; Wilbur B. Cardozo, 140 Floyd Ave.; Norwood C. Cardozo, Blackstone; Fred H. Frank, Jr., 321 W. Main; David B. Jones, Arvonia; William M. Northern, 21 N. Boulevard; Walter L. Schneider, Jr., Ashland; Hurley M. Young, Wytheville; Henry A. Taylor, 15 E. Grace; Robert Monroe Stone, 405 W. Marshall; Charles R. Wilmoth, 202 Hanover Ave.; Albert J. Atkins, 10 South Pine; Robert W. McAnally, R. F. D. 5; Cary D. Winfield, 407 W. Franklin.

Robert Armistead, Gary, 214 Stuart Ave.; Earl Eugene Silvey, 10 N. Elm; Shady Park, 218 Park Ave.; Robert M. Patterson, Blacksburg; Frank F. Rennie, Jr., 700 Fourth Ave.; William Wallis Kitchen, Phenix; William T. Landis, 203 W. High; Norbert O. McDowell, Scotland Neck, N. C.; Owen H. Morris, Petersburg; Rosalia G. Cooke, 211 Floyd Ave.; Edwin W. Carroll, Hopewell; James B. Haywood, Hopewell; Charles Henry Bohlen, 808 E. Grace; Frederick P. Wood, 30-A S. Elm; Leo T. Davis, Shadyhurst, Hermitage Rd.; William A. Baldwin, Dumbarton; Jesse Howard Smith, 202 Park Ave.; Henry D. Powell, 200 Kensington Ave.; Charles B. H. Root, 202 E. Franklin; Thomas H. Berry, 3 N. Laurel; Nicolas E. Eason, Long Island; Peter Cavano, New York City; George Piplons, New York City; James L. Beicher, 2521 W. Cary; Alfred B. Carter, 200 Beverly; Arthur W. Lee, 101 W. Grace; Norbert Smith, Veldton, N. C.; Morgan C. Thomas, Hopewell.

CANNING CLASSES CLOSE

Besides Giving Instruction, Classes Have Put up 3,545 Quarts of Fruits and Vegetables.

The canning classes at the Cary, Franklin, Barton Heights, Highland Park and Fulton Schools closed last week after a course of twelve weeks. Up to date the women in these classes have saved in the work of conservation as follows:

Canned fruits and vegetables—June1,232 quarts
July1,095 quarts
August6,228 quarts

Total8,555 quarts

Besides what has been canned, fifteen bushels of fruits and vegetables have been dried, twenty-five pounds of butter preserved in brine, forty-six dozen eggs saved by means of water glass and three dozen ears of popcorn candied.

MR. AND MRS. SEAR WILL MOVE TO NORTH CAROLINA

Disturbed by Anonymous Letters and Threats Made Against Her Life.

Because threats have been made against the life of Mrs. Vina Sear, twenty-year-old sister of Louise Brown, a colored domestic of Mrs. S. R. Frederick, 517 North Fourth Street, her husband, John Sear, will move with his wife back to North Carolina, according to statement made by Attorney Edgar B. English in Police Court yesterday.

Mr. English made the statement following the dismissal of the complaint against Mrs. Sear. Attorney T. Gray Haddon, who was employed by a negro society to investigate the shooting, and Detective Sergeant Willy made an in-

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vestigation of the tragedy. They both swore that the shooting was purely accidental according to their knowledge and belief.

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Sear that another colored woman was sick and could not come to work for her that day.

Regarding the threats against Mrs. Sear, Attorney English said that anonymous letters had been received by his client, and that threats had been made against her while she was walking in the street. One anonymous letter is said to have told her that she would be shot to death when she least expected it.

Married Fifty Years.
FREDERICKSBURG, VA., September 8.—Mr. and Mrs. A. B. Chandler, of Bowling Green, Caroline County, will celebrate the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on Monday. The children, all of whom will be present, are Dean A. B. Chandler, Jr., of the Normal School, Fredericksburg; John W. Chandler, New York; Mrs. Julia Chandler, of Washington; Mrs. J. M. Hughes.

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